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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Under 37 C.F.R. §1.114, it is respectfully requested that this application be accorded the benefits of Continued Examination. Applicant respectfully requests that the amendment previously filed on September 4, 2003, but unentered, in the prior application, be entered at this time.

Our check in the amount of \$770 is enclosed to cover the required fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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